

## SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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## **JUVENILE CHARGED**

On Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at approximately 3:15 pm, detectives and officers from the Salem Police Department were conducting an ongoing narcotics investigation when they intercepted a delivery of crack cocaine. The suspect had arranged to deliver and sell the narcotics in a parking lot on East Main St.

As the suspect arrived in the parking lot driving a late model Chrysler, he was approached by detectives and officers. The suspect then attempted to flee the scene in the car, striking three unmarked police vehicles before hitting a building and coming to a stop.

The suspect was later identified as a 16-year-old male and was taken into custody without further incident. At that time, officers also discovered that the vehicle was occupied by four other juveniles. There were no reported injuries to the officers, the suspect or the other occupants of the vehicle.

The driver of the vehicle was arrested and charged with attempted malicious wounding of a Police Officer, distribution of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute. Other charges against the 16-year-old are pending.

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